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# THE DAILY GUARDIAN

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1989

Wright State University's Student Operated Newspaper

## Forum on race relations held at WSU

News Department

The second open forum on race relations, Perspective on Race Relations: Solutions, was held Monday night (Nov. 20) in the Medical School Auditorium.

The forum featured a panel of local authorities moderated by WDTN News anchor Marsha Bonhart. The panel included Frank Dobson, director, Bolinga Cultural resource Center, Donna Schlagheck, assistant professor of Political Science, Michael Williams, associate professor of Education and School of Professional Psychology and Joanne Risacher assistant vice president for Student Life.

Other panelists were Charlotta Taylor, president, WSU Black Student Union, Delbert Hickman, president, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Roni Wilson-Vinson, chairer, WSU Student Government, Dean Lovelace, director, Community Housing, University of Dayton and co-chairer of the Dayton Rainbow Coalition, and Alice Anderson, American International Peace Council.

According to the program issued at the forum, the purpose of the event was to develop "a greater understanding and a sense of unity and that the potential benefits" of cultural plurality and racial diversity "can be fully realized."

The program was opened by Craig Powell, one of the organizers of the forum. After explaining to the large audience the format under which the forum would operate, Powell introduced the panelists and turned the podium over to Bonhart. Each panelist was given five minutes to give introductory remarks before the open discussion began.

The first panelist to speak was Williams who set out the definitions of the seven terms to be used in the program. Those terms were racism, prejudice, discrimination, preference, stereotyping, bigotry, and pluralism. He explained that these terms were necessary to explain because, often, discussions can deteriorate due to inexact language and to give the participants a common foundation on which to base their comments.

Williams said that racism is the conscious and unconscious decisions made by empowered individuals, groups, and institutions of the race to systematically oppress those of another.

Prejudice, Williams said, is a prejudgment made, whether positive or negative, about a person based on the absence of any personal



Steve Potter speaks out at the Perspective on Race Relations forum yesterday.

Photo by Craig Opperman

experience, fact or knowledge.

Discrimination, according to the terms used in the forum, is the act, practice or instance of discriminating against groups or categories, rather than against individuals.

Williams said that preference is defined as the exercise of choice based on some pre-existing personal experience, fact or knowledge, and that it is different from prejudice.

Stereotyping, he said, is something conforming to a fixed or general pattern and

The next panelist to give introductory notes was Dobson.

Dobson speaking very briefly, asked that the audience accept diversity in society and find the benefits that such diversity brings.

After Dobson, Schlagheck gave background on supremacy groups. She said that they rely on affecting peoples' "gut instincts" and are hindered by intelligent reasoning. Schlagheck also said that forums such as this were beneficial in relieving

Before the student representatives gave their opening remarks, it was decided to postpone them until the end of the meeting, and the floor was opened for discussion.

The first person to speak made critical remarks toward the administration's efforts in combatting racism. He accused the university of knowing "who Penny Earles was" and that administration members were holding meetings with her. Earles is the campus spokesperson for the Nationalist Movement of Fairborn who distributed controversial material on campus earlier this year. The person gave no evidence to support his accusation, and the point was met with laughter on the part of some of those in attendance. Risacher said that the administration had done nothing to that effect and that, after the afternoon rally, somebody could identify Earles since she was present.

According to Scott Urick, *Daily Guardian* editor who was in attendance, Earles has tried to remain anonymous. Urick said that when Earles placed an ad with the student paper, she refused to give her married name, using her maiden name, instead.

"She said she uses her maiden name so her husband wouldn't be affected in his job," see "Forum" page 4

## ... accept diversity in society and find the benefits that such diversity brings.

lacing individual distinguishing marks or qualities, and bigotry is the attitude, state of mind and behavioral characteristics on a person who is rigidly devoted to bias, intolerance and prejudice.

Finally, Williams said that pluralism is a state of co-existence in a mutually supportive relationship within the boundaries or framework of one nation of diverse cultures with significantly different patterns of beliefs, behaviors, color and, in many cases, languages.

tensions in diverse societies.

Lovelace quoted statistics comparing the census figures of 1970 and 1980 showing that median income, median cost of housing, and rate of employment increased disproportionately in the white sector of Dayton than in the minority sector.

The efforts on the part of the university administration, both in the short term and over the long term, to address the problem of racism were relayed to the audience by Risacher.



# FEATURES

## Baseball great Willie Mays ages gracefully

By MIKE SAKAL

## Guest Writer

Baseball's past has had many thrilling moments such as a Babe Ruth home run, Jackie Robinson stealing home or a Pete Rose head-first slide.

But when it came to a name that was almost as exciting to say and hear as his actions were to watch, it had to be Willie Mays.

Mays, nicknamed the Say Hey Kid, was in his final season as a New York Met in 1973 at the age of 42.

In a game near the end of the season, Mays misjudged a fly ball and fell in his attempt to catch it.

The fans sat shocked and silent as a stunned Mays got back up.

All of a sudden it wasn't a secret - The Say Hey Kid had gotten old. Mays fell in centerfield and nothing seemed sacred anymore.

In *Say Hey: The Autobiography of Willie Mays*, written with Lou Sahadi, readers

realize that time has passed quickly since Willie Mays has played the game for keeps.

Now, Mays is 58 years old.

A hero of Americana hasn't vanished with age - Mays is still getting paid to entertain, but not by the magic of his basket catches.

Mays is a greeter at Bally's Park-Place Casino in

*Say Hey*, published by Simon and Schuster and priced at \$17.95, has become the largest-selling baseball book of the year.

In each chapter, Mays chronicles a year of his baseball career and explains some of the myths surrounding his now nostalgic trade-marks.

Remember how Mays' cap used to fly off when he chased down a fly

glove toward his body with his other hand underneath it.

And the Say Hey nickname?

When Mays played on the Minor League Class B Trenton Giants in 1950, he didn't know too many people's names. Whenever he wanted to get someone's attention, he just yelled out, "say hey!"

After the Giants lost to the New York Yankees in the '51

Series he played in.

Mays also writes that he is proud of the fact that most of his action pictures were making catches and not hitting home runs. The '54 World Series catch? Mays believes he's made better ones.

But his 660 home runs, placing him third on the all-time list are hard to overlook and so are his 3,283 hits, seventh on the all-time list.

received early in San Francisco.

Mays says he was to be traded to the New York Mets during the 1972 season. To him, it was like coming home.

1973, Mays' last year played in the World Series, but the Mets lost to the Oakland A's in seven games.

Even a player as popular as Mays couldn't escape controversy in retirement.

Just three weeks after Mays' induction into the National Baseball Hall of Fame, then-baseball Commissioner Bowie Kuhn shocked the country by banning Mickey Mantle from baseball for involvement with casinos in 1979.

Commissioner Peter Ueberroth allowed Mantle back into baseball in 1985.

Even though Mays seems as if he is telling glory stories from a distant past.

In *Say Hey*, Willie Mays graciously gets a little old that leaves the reader a cold - probably the way fans felt when Mays fell in center field.

**Mays says he was happy to be traded to the New York Mets . . . it was like coming home.**

Atlantic City, N.J.

Mays doesn't gamble with the patrons, but plays golf with the high rolling visitors, hangs around the lobby and signs autographs and more or less has the duty of just being Willie Mays.

He also makes numerous appearances at baseball card shows across the country and gets \$10-12 for each autograph.

And Now, Mays has found success in *Say Hey*.

ball or stole a base?

Mays writes that he lost his cap on purpose, he wore an oversized cap and easily lost it when he ran at top speed.

The Willie Mays basket catch?

He didn't invent it.

When Mays missed the 1952-53 major-league seasons because of military service, he played on the Army team where a teammate suggested he try holding his

World Series, the Giants returned to the fall classic again in 1954.

In the first game, Mays made the famous picture-perfect running catch off Vic Wertz of the Cleveland Indians that may have been the turning point of the series.

The Giants' '54 World Championship under Leo Durocher, Mays' favorite manager, was the only championship Mays got to enjoy of the four World

Mays' 24 all-star game appearances - a record he shares with Hank Aaron and Stan Musial are also hard to overlook.

*Say Hey* isn't full of regrets.

But Mays does have a few: He feels missing almost two full seasons because of military service hurt his chances of being the all-time home run leader.

And Mays feels that when the Giants were uprooted from the Polo Grounds in New York after the 1957 season, he had to work harder for the fan adoration that Orlando Cepeda and Willie McCovey

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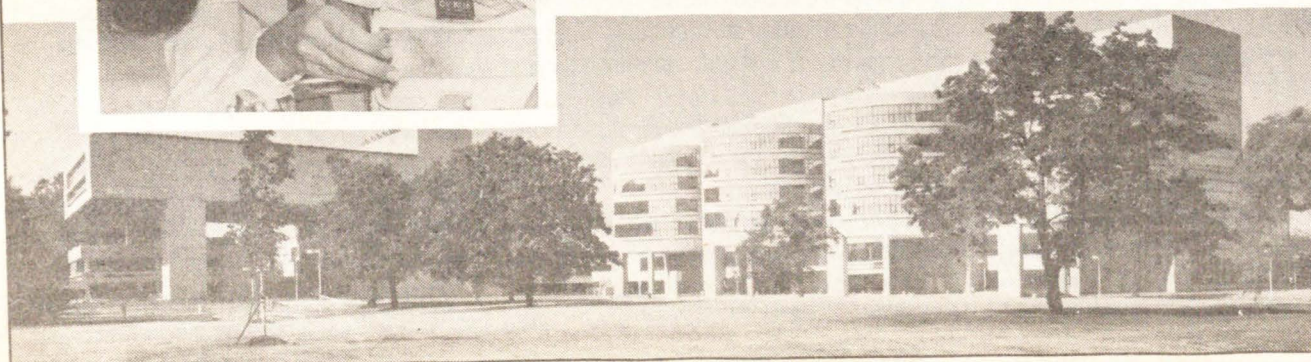
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# Wright State Raiders rumble to exhibition victory

By JEFF LOUDERBACK  
Sports Editor

They fought a battle — a full-scale rumble in the paint.

And when the smoke had cleared and the bodies were removed, Wright State owned a 110-99 victory against the SSV Ulm German Club.

In a clash where 47 personal fouls and four technical fouls were whistled, the Raiders outrebounded their taller foes, 51-38.

"They're used to playing

that way, so we had to adapt to that style," WSU head coach Ralph Underhill said about the extreme physical action underneath. "This was the kind of game we needed as a tuneup for the season opener."

The Ulm German Club entered the PE Building with a 3-4 record on its American tour. Former American players Victor Fleming (Xavier), Magnus Pelkowski (Indiana) and Archie Johnson (Alabama-Birmingham) led the club. Three of the team's

losses came against BYU, Cincinnati and Wright State University foe Southern Utah State.

"BYU was a different type of team from Wright State. They shot the ball well, but they weren't as quick. They didn't have the press that Wright State had," Ulm guard and former Iowa State player Mike Born said. "They don't press that much in Germany."

Six Raiders reached double figures in scoring. Sophomore guard Mark

Woods poured in a team-high 20 points. Dave Dinn scored 16 points while fellow junior Scott Benton added 14 points. Freshman Bill Edwards collected 15 points.

But the real surprise was freshman Sean "The Hammer" Hammonds. The 6-5 forward stormed off the bench and muscled his way to 10 points and a game-high 10 rebounds.

"Hammonds went to war in the second half," Underhill said. "He went after the ball

and grabbed key rebounds."

Ulm's victory against a WSU opponent gave the Raiders added incentive to win the game.

"We knew we had to play hard because they (Ulm) said that Southern Utah had been the best team they had played," Hammonds said. "We play Southern Utah, so we had to make a strong showing tonight."

Wright State University's swarming press caused havoc for the Ulm squad.

"We have to keep the pressure on this season," Underhill said. "I'm not saying that we'll score 110 points every game, but we'll break 100 a few times."

Dinn's performance pleased Underhill.

"David's coming back," Underhill said. "I'm glad to see him getting back into playing shape."

The Raiders open their season next Saturday when they host Wilmington at 7:30 p.m.

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## Forum

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Urick said.

The program became somewhat disorganized after that and, while Bonhart maintained control of the proceedings, the topics ranged throughout the spectrum. There were calls for the administration to become more reactionary on racism, questions concerning why it had not had a stronger hand in dealing with the problem, suggestions that the First

Amendment be suspended in the case of "radical groups."

That suggestion was made by an international student who said he did not understand why the amendment was in effect if it was hurting people and that it should be eliminated. The student said that freedom of speech was holding back students such as himself in letting others who have differing perspectives express their views.

At that point, Urick approached the microphone to make a statement.

"I'll tell you what the First Amendment is for," Urick said. "It's the only reason we're standing at these microphones discussing these issues."

Urick went on to say that, "the more we know about (radical groups), the less power they have."

Schlagheck responded from the panel that Urick's point was correct and that the informed, educated people would shun the ideas which such groups represent.

Then, Taylor spoke. Taylor questioned Urick about what she felt was racial bias of *The Guardian*.

Taylor took exception of an edition in which a campus opinion survey appeared where no minorities were polled. Urick said that the inclusion or exclusion of minorities in the poll had never been a matter of consideration. Rather, he said, it was

merely a random selection of people around the university. In previous polls, minorities have appeared along with their opinions.

Bonhart wondered that, since the previous Friday's edition of the paper had been a "Unity Edition," if Urick felt it was journalistically correct to not have included minorities in a student opinion survey printed in the paper. Taylor said that she was also under the impression that the edition of the paper for the previous Friday was a "Unity Edition" to promote the rally and forum. According to Urick, no such edition was planned or promoted for that day. He said he felt that the only way it would have been journalistically incorrect was if he had set quotas on the numbers of each race to be represented. Since the first forum on racism, *The Guardian* has run more than seven pages of stories on the forums and the rally.

Urick pointed out that a

full page Unity Day ad had appeared in *The Guardian* and was run free of charge to the sponsoring group. Some of those present found fault with the fact that the ad had appeared on the back page, even though, as Urick said, that is the second most-read page in any paper. Urick added, "I offered to let any student group add their name to the ad, without charge as a show of Unity." A full page ad in *The Guardian* normally costs \$312.

Taylor then brought up the ad run for the Nationalist Movement, referring to the group's emblem as a swastika and asked Urick why he had run the ad in the paper. Urick responded by saying that the ad was paid for by the organization, and that he had discussed the matter with the newspaper's editorial board and both advisors to the paper. He added that the ad was "tightly edited and that an inflammatory statement (originally in the ad) was

eliminated" before the ad was accepted.

Taylor then asked if the paper would run an ad containing the Black Power symbol, a clenched fist. Urick answered by saying, "I have to take that before the (editorial) Board."

From that point on, the debate over the paper became sporadic and other topics were discussed. There were calls from several of the participants for individuals to take the initiative to eliminate racism and a call for an end to what one person described as "an attack on whites."

The student leaders then finished the forum with the statements which were originally to be opening remarks. These generally called for student involvement in combatting racism and participation in cultural diversity.

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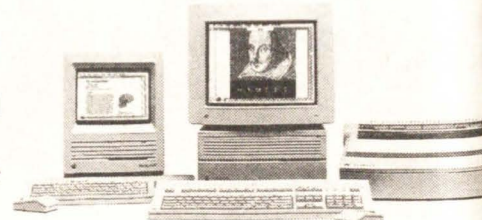
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